

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICHARD NIXON, President of the United States of America, do hereby designate the week of July 25, 1971, as National Farm Safety Week. I urge farm families and all in the rural community to make every effort to reduce accidents occurring at work, home, in recreation and on the highway.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this seventh day of April, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred seventy-one, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred ninety-fifth.



PROCLAMATION 4045

Small Business Week, 1971

By the President of the United States of America

April 8, 1971

A Proclamation

The American tradition of independent enterprise is as old as our society itself. The freemen who tended little stores, ran coastwise shipping, traded in furs, or made candles helped this tradition put down deep roots early in our history. "What most astonishes me," wrote de Tocqueville as he took the measure of our young nation in the 1830s, "is not so much the marvelous grandeur of some undertakings as the innumerable multitude of small ones." From such beginnings, small business has grown into one of the principal economic forces in this, the world's greatest industrial nation.

Today—its name aside—small business is *big*. Nineteen United States firms in twenty are small businesses. They do nearly three-fourths of the total volume of sales and one-third of all manufacturing. For the industry and resourcefulness which millions of Americans invest in them as owners and employees, they return not only profits but also the rich rewards of self-reliance. They contribute to the wide diversity of our society and our economy, and they offer members of disadvantaged minority groups an open door into full participation in the Nation's prosperity—a door through which black Americans, Spanish-speaking Americans, Indians, and other minority enterprisers are now passing in increasing numbers.

But if small business is to realize its full potential in the years ahead, it needs and deserves wholehearted support from citizens and the business

community as a whole, as well as the strong encouragement it already receives from government.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICHARD NIXON, President of the United States of America, do hereby designate the week beginning May 16, 1971, as Small Business Week. I ask all Americans and their business organizations to join with me during this week in paying tribute to the accomplishments of small business and in helping small business toward continued strength and success.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this eighth day of April, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred seventy-one, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred ninety-fifth.



PROCLAMATION 4046

Pan American Day and Pan American Week, 1971

April 12, 1971

By the President of the United States of America

A Proclamation

April 14 marks the eighty-first anniversary of the founding of the world's oldest regional grouping of nations, the inter-American system now called the Organization of American States.

The name of the system has changed over the years, but its objectives have not. It was Simon Bolivar's dream of 150 years ago—that the freedom of the New World would be the hope of the universe—which inspired the creation of the inter-American system. And it is that aspiration which still unites the peoples of the Western Hemisphere in the structure of peace and the pursuit of progress, transcending our diversity of languages and cultures.

The United States, as the oldest republic in the Americas and a founding member of the inter-American system, has long been pledged to lend its full weight to the work of realizing Bolivar's dream. I have renewed that pledge for the Seventies, with special emphasis on equal partnership and full participation for all the New World nations.

The Organization of American States has long outlived the farsighted men who laid the foundations of hemispheric cooperation eight decades ago. It has gained steadily in stature as a force for a better life in the